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1. NEW NITROGEN FERTILIZER PLANT IN ZULIA STATE OPERATIONAL. PROBABLE PRODUCTION AMMONIA PLUS UREA 600,000 METRIC TONS BY CLOSE 1974. ADDITIONAL FERTILIZER OPERATION IN MORON PRODUCING PHOSPHATE, POTASSIUM AND NITROGEN FERTILIZERS WITH FINAL CAPACITY 600,000 TONS. MOST OF PRODUCTION WILL BE EXPORTED IN FOLLOWING YEARS.
2. FERTILIZER IMPORTS IN RECENT YEARS HAVE RANGED FROM 150,000 TO 175,000 MT. ONCE DOMESTIC PRODUCTION INCREASES, IMPORTS EXCEPT FOR SPECIALTY FERTILIZERS WILL LIKELY CEASE.
3. MOST BASIC VENEZUELAN CROPS WILL BE PLANTED IN LATE SPRING. RAINFALL PATTERNS WILL CONTRIBUTE MAJOR ROLE IN 74-75 CROP PRODUCTION.
- NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS INDICATE THAT THERE ARE EXPECTED SHORTAGES OF INPUT FACTORS. END RESULT WILL PROBABLY BE THAT NO SIGNIFICANT PRODUCTION CHANGE WILL OCCUR FOR THE COMING YEAR.
4. LATEST ESTIMATE ON GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCTION AT CURRENT MARKET PRICES IS FOR 1972; THE FIGURE IS BS57,659 MILLION. SINCE VENEZUELA IS MAJOR OIL PRODUCING COUNTRY, AMPLE SUPPLIES OF

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BOTH GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUELS WILL BE AVAILABLE.

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